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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

Morning Meeting of 30 October 1968



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Godfrey advised that some kind of activity is taking place near the Guantanamo base but its nature is yet to be determined.

Godfrey advised that efforts are still under way to clarify the landing of MIG-21's in eastern Rumania.

Godfrey indicated that a memorandum will be circulated on Rumania's adjustments to the Soviet hard line.

D/ONE reported that the representatives met yesterday on NIE 11-3 and that it would appear that the Army and Air Force -- though not DIA -- will take a footnote on the Tallinn system. D/ONE also pointed out that the military intend to footnote the paragraph dealing with the estimate of the number of ABM launchers intended to be built by the Soviets. DDCI suggested that an OSR representative give a short briefing to USIB on the economic analysis which leads us to our position on the projected number of ABM launchers. It was noted that the role and utility of the NIPPs have been raised in the process of preparing 11-3 and other Estimates.

Carver briefed on General Abrams' plan to attack the enemy infrastructure in Vietnam.

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DD/S&T reported that today's CORONA launch will be the first attempt to lengthen the life of the vehicle to eighteen days.

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DD/S&T suggested that the Soviet space shot appears to have been a most pedestrian affair and that it would appear that the Soviets may have been primarily intent on testing the spacecraft itself because of the previous death of a cosmonaut.

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Executive Director briefed on President Johnson's memorandum requesting the establishment in various agencies of a committee to examine the handling of younger employees and the usefulness of career training. Executive Director advised that Gordon Stewart will be our committee chairman and we hope to make maximum use of the exercise.

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Goodwin advised that Peter Jessup's office has requested that it be included on the distribution of our press clippings. The Director concurred.

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